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## **CONGRESSMAN BADLY HURT**

Representative Tongue of Oregon Struck by a Street Car.

### CUT ABOUT THE HEAD AND FACE

He Had Just Returned From a Trip to Monticello and Was Trying to Board a Car at Sixth and the Avenue-Removed to Providence Hospital.

Hon. Thomas H. Tongue, Congressman from Ovegon, met with a serious accident last night while attempting to board a Capital Traction car at Pennsylvania avenue and Sixth street. He is now at Providence Hospital, suffering from painful cuts and bruises about the head and face.

Mr. Tongue had returned shortly before S o'clock from Monticello, the home of Jefferson, where a party of fifteen Senators and Representatives, including Senators Deboe, Gallinger, Turner, Jones, Berry, Butler, Hawley, and others had passed the day with Mr. Jefferson Levy, the present owner of the grounds. The train reached Washington's few minutes before 8 o'clock and as the party came out of the depot the majority boarded cars for their homes Mr. Tongue, however, remained standing at the corner of Sixth street, in conversa tion with Representative Pierce of Tennes see, who was also a member of the party.

Mr. Pierce had just left his fellow

Congressman and boarded a car going east. Mr. Tongue was waiting for a car on the Fourteenth street line, which had stopped on the opposite side of Sixth When it had started ahead the Congressman ran to catch it and in doing so was struck by car No. 13 of the Fourteenth street line, going east. In his haste to catch the west-bound car, Tongue apparently did not observe the approach of the train going east, and ran directly into the grip car before Gripman Bonifont could set the brakes

and bring the train to a stop.

The corner of the fender struck both his feet just above the ankles, and instead of picking him up, he was hurled forward several feet and struck heavily upon his fortunate man, and he was picked up undrog store, adjoining the Metropolitan Ho tel, by Policeman Elliott and Conductor J Jones. Senator Hawley, who had also been waiting for the car, recognized the injored man, and a call was sent for the Emergency Rospital ambulance. In the meantime. Dr. G. R. Lee Cole, of No 424 Seventh street southwest, who was upon the scene, was called in and administered a temporary dressing to the wounds. He found the Congressman suffering from con-cussion of the brain and a number of

painful abrasions and lacerations. Sergeant-at-Arms Russell, of the House and Capt. Gardner, chief of police of the Capitol, took charge of the injured man and insisted that he be taken to Providence Hospital, to which place he was remove in a carriage. After reaching the institution Mr. Tongue partially regained con-sciousness, and late last night was reported

as doing fairly well. Mr. Pongue is serving his first term in Congress, as a Representative from Ore gon, having been elected in June, 1896. He resides at No. 1014 Fifteenth street northwest. No member of his family i in the city.

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# CONFERRING ABOUT CUBA

The President Sounding Senators on the Situation.

#### REED'S POWER IN THE HOUSE

The Speaker Said to Have Promised Mr. McKinley to Sidetrack the Morgan Resolution-Hints of a Veto Should It Reach the Executive-Talk of a Caucus.

There were several important conferences yesterday on the Cuban question. Early in the day Senators Hanna, Spooner and Fairbanks, who were three of the dozen Republicans who voted against the Morgan resolution, met at the Ariington and had a long talk over the situation. Subsequently they went to the White House and saw the President.

During the morning two distinguished members of Congress also visited the White House by appointment, but at different One of them was Chairman Davis, of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, and the other Speaker Reed. The object of their visit can be easily guessed. The President is endeavoring to get at the real feeling of Congress.

It is understood that he was very much arprised at the one-sidedness of the vote in the Senate and the language used by Senator Hanna is but a reflection of the timents of the President bimself. Mr. McKinley had been led to believe by Mr. Hanna that the resolution would surely be referred to the committee. In the biterrness of his disappointment, Mr. Hanna

'I deplore the Senate's action. It was inepportune. It was inexpedient. It was uncalled for, in view of the fact that the President and the State Department are now using every means in their power to ferret out and unravel the Cuban situation The Senate's action really assumes the appearance of discourtesy to the Administration. A Cuban policy has been promulgated by the President, and is being closely followed. There was no need for the Senate to step in and take a hand in the matter."

The President was particularly anxious to have a conference with the Speaker, for in the power of that individual is his present chief reliance. The President does not want the Senate resolution to pass the House until he is ready for it, if

hat moment should ever arrive. Mr. Hanna says: Gen. Grosvenor says: Chairman Hitt says, in fact, all the Re-publican leaders of an Administration stripe, say that the President has formu-lated a policy and is working it out, but none of them take the public into their confidence and tell what that policy is. The reason appears to be chiefly because they dare not let it become known. Mr. Hanna says that policy has been "pro-mulgated," but just what interpretation the junior Oblo Senator puts upon that

Of one thing there can be no doubt. The President does not want the belitgerency resolution to pass. It would put him in a predicament from which he could hardly extricate himself. According to the authority of one of the tweive Senators who voted against the resolution, it was given out last night, privately, that if this dent, he would veto it. This statement can hardly be credited, but it comes from a senator who ought, if anybody does, to snow the Presidential mind

It is understood that Mr. Reed assured the President that there was no danger of the resolution passing; that the Committee on Rules was loval and Would do On this point the President his bidding. was especially solicitous and felt relieved when he learned that the Speaker believed he had the House well in hand. At the rebelling. There were murmers of disontent vesterday and talk of a cancus of Republicans to consider the matter This caucus idea has evidently not taken shape yet, for late last night Gen Gros venor, chairman of the caucus, said that he had not been requested to call one. It only takes twenty-five members to assemble a party caucus, and something in this direction may be done between

now and Monday.

Meantime, the President appears to be pursuing his own policy, whatever that may be. When asked the question direct last night, what that policy was, Gen Grosvenor declined to say. He intimated that the public would be informed later on but certainly not until after the Presi-

dent had heard from Judge Calhoun, It was suggested by one of the Admin istration men yesterday that it was not a pecessary result of the statement that the President was negotiating with Spain, that he was negotiating for the pur chese of the islands by the Cubans through assumption of the island debt. He might, this person said, be in comnumeration with Spain for the purpose of requiring that government to permit American citizens to pursue their usual avocations and permit them to leave the towns where they have been herded.

This theory is not tenable, however, The consensus of opinion is that the Presi dent's much-talked of policy contemplates the indecendence of the Island through the payment of the debt-a scheme that will not be approved by the American peo ple, and which is already attracting the attention of men in public life, who are denouncing it in unmeasured terms. If this is the policy of Mr McKinley it will meet with the most vigorous resistance in Congress, many of those who denounce it most bitterly being men of his own party

It is believed it was for the purpose of asertaining the opinion of Senator Davis called to the White Rouse yesterday. It s understood that Senator Davis does not take kindly to the idea. The President House into line, but he cannot control the Senate, and that is the body that would deal with the subject whether it came up in the way of legislation or by

#### SPOKESMAN GROSVENOR TALKS. He Says the House Will Not Act on

the Morgan Resolution. New York, May 21. - The Brooklyn Eagle today published the following dispatch from its Washington correspondent: Senator Mark Hanna, Congressman Dolliver and Congressman Grosvenor had a long interview this morning at the latter's hotel in regard to the attitude of the House on the Morgan resolution. At its close Mr.

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in the presence of Senator Raima, the lat-ter concurring in the sentiments therein

contained:
"There is no Committee on Foreign Affairs in the House, and the only method by which the Senate joint resolution can get before the House would be by a rule from the Committee on Rules, of which the Speaker is chairman. I have no official information from any member of that committee, but I don't believe there will be any rule adopted to bring the measure up at present

"The action of the Senate yesterday and the outspoken expression of the House in dicate a very deep sympathy in Congress with Coba and her ultimate independence. "But it is known that the President with in twenty-four hours after his inauguration took hold of the Caban question and has been considering its relations to the Americans in Cuba, the trade interests of this country with the island and the great question of humanity involved in the war itself. The President has already made great progress in these matters. At his request or demand fifty-odd American citizens have been released, court-martials for American crizens have been abandoned and Spain has consented to the relief of the suffering American citizens so that it can now be said the American even in Cuba, carries with it protection

to every American citizen. "The President is rapidly acquiring the fullest information in regard to the other questions involved, and while he is preparing to act, if deemed advisable, it is no part of statesmanship in Congress to attempt to supersede, to develop his purpose, or to force his action. Therefore, it is my judgment that the Re-publican majority, which will not be driven one inch from its chosen line of action by the efforts of the Democracy will stand behind the President and act

in conformity with his policy."

Speaker Reed has intimated to his close followers that the policy of the House will be practically to wait till it hears from President McKinley before acting on the Senate resolution. Before leaving town last night, to a close personal friend a member of Congress, from New York the Speaker said: "I was in favor of passing the Senate resolution appropriating \$50,000 to be expended in giving relief to suffering Americans in Cuba. This is as far as I think the House will go at present on matters relating to

### SPANISH STATESMEN FIGHT

Duke of Tetuan Boxes a Liberal Senator's Ears.

Passage by the Senate of the Belligerency Resolution Caused the Trouble.

Madrid, May 21.-An altercation tool place today in the lobby of the Cortes be tween the Duke of Tetuan, minister of foreign affairs, and a Liberal senator, in reference to a statement the foreign minis ter had just made in the Senate regardles the resolution adopted yesterday by the American Senate, recognizing the Cuban insurgents as beligerents. The two states men used very warm language, and finally the Duke of Tetuna boxed his adversary' ears. This caused a great commotion in the lobby, and, the fact becoming known in the Senate, it led to much excitement mid which the sitting was suspended

The Liberals immediately assembled to consider the situation, and a summons was sent to Senor Sagasta, Who, however, was absent.

The Ministerialists also met and sent an urgent summons to Prime Minister Canovas del Castillo, but he, too, was absent.

After a conference with his colleagues the Duke of Tetuan resigned his office, the portiolio of which will be taken ad

interim by the prime minister. The senator whose ears were boxed wa Senor Comas, who had raised the question of the action of the American Senate.

In the Chamber of Representatives Seno Moret questioned the prime minister on the subject of the resolution. Senor Canovas declared that the government entirely approved of Capt.-Gen. Weyler's policy, and accepted responsibility therefor. It had full confidence in his statements concern

ing the decline of the rebellion. The government, the prime minister added, had no diplomatic information to communicate to Parliament. His exchanges of views with the powers regarding Joba had always been unofficial. The nower maintained great reserve in the matter, but their attitude induced the belief that they would not offer effective intervention The exchange of communications with the United States had been friendly, but Spain had refused the proffered American mediation and had declared that she would not admit foreign interference.

Senor Moret pressed Senor Canovas for definite information regarding the belligerency resolution. Senor Canovas re

plied guardedly .. The Liberal members of the Senate have decided not to attend the sittings of that body until the Duke of Tetuan gives satisfaction to Senor Comas and the Liberal patry for the insult he has given him and it.

### RUIZ WAS ASSASSINATED.

#### This Is the Opinon Calhoun Has Arrived At.

Havana, via Key West, May 21 .- Mr Calbonn has arrived at the moral certainty that Dr. Ruiz was assassinated by the Spaniards in the jail at Guanabacoa, but the case will never be proved to the satisfaction of the Spanish government. Much private testimony has been given to Mr. Calhoun of the murder of Dr. Ruiz, but in no case was the informant willing to let his name be made public, because of the fear of persecution by Fonsdeviella and the Spanish authorities.

Mr. Calhoun has the report of the autopsy on the body of Dr. Ruiz, made by the American surgeon, Dr. Burgess. Dr.

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Burgess says that the wounds in the head and forearm, which the body presented, could not have been shafflicted to himself by Dr. Ruiz, because of their position The head of Dr. Ruiz was evidently struck by another person with some hard instrument, probably of iron, which fractured the skull and caused hemorrhage of the brain. The wound in the forearm and the marks in the hand, Dr. Burgess thinks, indicate that the murdered man tried with his hands to protect his head against the assault of somebody armed with a

heavy club or piece of iron. The declarations of the officials of the sail of Guanabacoa are considered worth-

less by the American consulate. The counsel for the Spaniards, Senot Enrique Rolg, says that the message of Dr Ruiz to his widow and children, written on a chair in his prison, appears to be a 'fake." Senor Roig is a young man, under twenty-five years of age, who is doing all in his power to thwart and delay

the investigation. A well informed person told your corrspondent today that the end of all will be that the parties will never come to a conclusion satisfactory to both, for which reason Mr. Calhoun will be obliged to give up the investigation and report to his

About the general situation in the island, Mr. McKinley's commissioner has received much evidence that the war will be endless unless the United States interfere, and that such interference the solution desired by all the business

Consul General Lee's report about the distress in Cuba has been confirmed fully by Mr. Cathoun, as well as the impossibility of Spain's quelling the revolution by force of arms. Mr. Calhonn will send a long letter to President McKinley tomorrow embodyingall beknows about the situation An official report in extenso will be made

### AN AMERICAN MONTE CARLO

### Palatial Gambling House to Erected at Tia Juana.

Jesse Grant Interested in the Concession Obtained for It From the Mexican Government.

San Francisco, May 21.-It has leaked out here that the concession obtained by Jesse Grant and his associates from the Mexican vovernment for lands surround ing the famous hot springs of Tia Juana across the boundary, covers also a privilege for running a lottery and gambling

It is said that Grant does not intend to enter the business, but that Eastern people are prepared to take control of this feature of the concession, while Grant attends to the colonization and the development of The identity of the Eastern people is not known, but it is learned that the Dwyers are figuring on the purchase of the Rierson and San An tonio ranches su ne miles below Tia Juana, to be used for raising racing ste

A local real estate man who is handling the matter for Grant and his associates is authority for the statement that the in-tended purchasers will hold the finest gambling house in the world at the springs to cost \$2,000,000, to run every game of chance known, including a lottery. The deal is to be closed this week

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## A FEMALE BURGLAR CAUGHT

GRATITUDE'S TEAR.

May Vandevere Locked Up at the First Precinct.

STOLE MONEY AND JEWELS

The Housebreaker Entices a Former Benefactress From Home Robs Her House of \$1,000 Worth of Diamonds-Gets Drunk on Laudanum and Lands in a Cell.

A female bousebreaker who for ingenuity eleverness of design, and bravery of exe cution could give cards and spades to the most successful professionals of the make sex, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Detectives Helan, Boyd, and Hartigan, and is locked up at No. 1 station. Her name is May Vandervere, alias May Winfield, May Driscoll, and May Vane. She is about twenty-eight years old, and was once For several years past she has led a fast life, and shows signs of dissipa

The crime with which the young wom is charged, and which she admits, with little apparent concern, was the robbery of the residence of Mrs. Frederick Mertins No. 111 Sixth street northwest, last Thurs day night, when she succeeded in enter ing the house and carrying off nearly \$1,000 worth of diamonds, jeweiry and other valuables.

The woman came from New York two years ago, and through an employment agency she secured work in the family of Mr. Mertins. About a year ago she left the place and went to live in a house in the Division.

Last Toursday morning Mrs. Mertins received an anonymous letter from some onpurporting to be her friend, requesting that she come at 9:30 that night to an address given in South Washington, where she would there meet a person who, the letter represented, would give her some information concerning her nusband. Mr. Mertin was at that time and is still in Cumber land, Md., on business, and this Miss Van dervere apparently knew.

The latter further requested that Mrs Mertins come disguised, and that she leave all her money and jewels at home as the neighborhood where she was t meet the unknown party was a dangerous Mrs. Mertins boarded a car an got off in South Washington, near when me expected to find the address states in the letter. Finally she reached the place where the number should be

It was a vacant lot, and no one knes anything of the place or the party she wished to find. After an hour or so sh returned home, only to discover that the bouse had been broken into. Her first thought was of her lewels. Running up stairs, she found that all her much-prize diamonds and precious gems had disap peared. Then she saw through the trick and lost no time in reporting the robbery to police headquarters.

Detective Helan ran down the thief and conred all of the stolen property, except \$3 in money.

While she slept the detectives searched the room and found the stolen gems. Then she was awakened and taken to No. 1 station and locked up. She admitted having written the mysterious letter and to having entered the house by smashing the rear door with an ax. The officer found a man who lives acros

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just below the elbow, and his arm most be amputated The second bullet struck Jewett Smith

in the leg, breaking a bone and severely injuring him. The third bullet went through the car partition and struck Motorman Wellman on the left breast, just over the heart. The wound is slight, and he was able to bring the car into the city.

region of the longs and heart.

the street, who had seen a young woman

leave the house at about 10 o'clock, and

gave a description of her. It answered to

that of Miss Vandervere. The officers, after a long search, located the young woman in a house on C street, between

Four-and-a-half and Sixth streets, sound

asleep under the influence of laudanum, to

Miss Vandevere had spent only \$3 of the money. Mrs. Martin identified all

of the property, and is happy over its re-

A PETITION FOR HOME RULE.

Act of Grace.

Dublin, May 21.-Patriots here are in-

terested in a movement to get signatures

to a gigantic petition to be submitted to

granted to Ireland as the chief of the

Queen Victoria, begging that home rule

DUEL ON AN ELECTRIC CAR

With His Life.

After Being Mortally Wounded He

Fires Thrice and Badly Injures

His Assailant.

Taconin, Wash., May 21 .- A thousand

people are crowding around the morgae

tonight trying to identify the remains of

the giant robber, who held up and robbed

an electric car on the Stellacoom su-

burban line at 7:30 o'clock this evening

stopped to take on a roughly dressed man,

who pulled a blue calico mask over his

eyes as he stepped on the front platform.

He immediately drew a big revolver, shoved

it into the faces of Motorman Howard Well-

man and Superintendent Dame, and ordered them to the rear of the car. They backed

into the rear compartment used for

"Throw up your hands and the lastes

sit still," shouted the robber, as he step

ped into the car, revolver in hand. The cur

contained five men and two women. Con-tractor George B. Evans was quickly re-

lieved of his purse, gold watch and dia-mond ring. W. E. Hacker was the next

As the robber began going through Hack-

er's pockets, Supt. Dame pulled out his revolver, laid it across his left arm and

quietly pushed his way into the passenger

for an opportunity, and then placing his

weapon over Hacker's shoulder fired. The robber whirled around and fired. Dame

shot again and the robber twice more

platform and fell over on the track dead.

the robber's right arm and the other

through his left arm, both entering the

The robber's first shot entered Dame's

left arm and entirely shattered the bone

One of Dame's bullets passed through

ompartment. He waited a few moments

them to the rear of the car.

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# SUICIDE OF G. A. JORDAN

The Well-Known Real Estate Agent Ends His Suffering.

#### PUTS A BULLET IN HIS BRAIN

eral Months and This Appears to Have Prompted the Deed Gave No One an Intimation of His In-

Despondent because of ill health, and while probably suffering from temporary mental aberration, George A. Jordan lawyer and real estate broker, of No. 1417 F street northwest, shot himself through the head at the Howard House yesterday afternoon. He was found unconscious and removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died at 10010 tast night. The weapon with which he committed the deed was a 32-caliber Smith a Wesson revolver.

Mr Jordan has been a sufferer from grippe since last full, and the disease so paired his physical condition that he has never been a well man since.

Yesterday morning, shortly after 8 o'clock, he left ms residence, No. 1517 P street, to come down town, as was his daily custom. His family did not observe anything peculiar in his manner, and he gave no bint of any intention to end his life. He seemed to feel no worse than usual, and left the house apparently in good spirits. After remaining at his of fice for an hour or more, he went over to Judge Weed's office, in the Corcuran Balloing, and remained twenty minutes or half an hour. He had no particular ermod, but, as Judge Weed is a reconser at his house, Mr. Jordan frequently dropped in to see him during the day.

From Judge Weet's office Mr. Jordan must have gone directly to the Howard House with the deliberate intention of committing socide. It was about 11 o'clock when he walked up to the desk in that he'el and registered his name, "O. A. Jordan, city." He then asked to be accommodated with a room, and Clerk Mitchell assigned him to No. 50, on the second floor front. He was not known at the hotel, and, having no bargage to paid for his room in advance, and

shown up at once. After that, no one remembered having seen him about the lobbby during the remainder of the day, and he did not take inner in the dining-room. Shortly after 3 o'clock one of the colored bell boys, who was on one of the upper floors of the house, came running down to the desk and informed Manager Mayantd that he had heard the report of a pistol in room No. 50. The boy had not ventured to look inside and when several of the attaches of the house went to the room they found the door unlocked and Jordan lying prestrate upon the floor. The amoking well still chitched in his right hand, a was outing from an unly wound in his completely dressed, except for his cont which he had taken off and hung over the back of a chair. The man hast exidently stood up deliberately in the middle of the room and aimed at his temple. His hand had probably faltered and the ball went an inch shy of where he had intended

it should. The room was otherwise in fairly good order, but so far as could be learned the micide had left no farewell message or

A telephone call was at once sent for Victoria Asked to Grant It as an the Emergency ambulance and Jordan was removed to the hospital, where Dr. Turner, Dr. Babr and Dr. Juenemana probed the wound and located the bullet on the left The lend had plowed its way through the brain and left a terrible wound, from graceful acts commemorating her record Dr. Van Renemieer, of the attending staff, was also called in, but could do further. After the wound was dressed he was removed to one of the wards, where his wife and three daughters visited him the time he was found, and did not re-A Highwayman Pays for His Crime

vive to recognize his friends Mr. Jordan was about fifty-five years of age, and has lived in Washington the greater part of his life. He was, for twenty years prior to the first Cleveland administration, chief of the Division of Abandoned and Captured Property of the Treasury Department. After having left sent service he emberked in known, was successful, and bad no fmannal troubles. He was a Mason of high degree, a member of the Royal Arcanum, and a number of other secret and benevo lent societies.

#### A "BLUE GUM" NEGRO HANGED. He Murdered Six Persons, Among

Them His Wife. Helena, Ga., May 21 -A gent gom" negro, named Elmah Morton, a

desperado, whose bite was popularly supposed to be as poisonous as a rattlesnake, was hanged at McRae today. ago he murdered his father-in-law, mother in-law, shot his wife while she was sucking her infant baby, killed two other negro men and a boy, and fired into a group of children. He had to through the hing before he submitted to arrest On trud Morton told the Judge that if

he could murder him, the district attorney and six others he could die contentelly and be burned. Pefore the execution the indemned man's aged father and mother went into the cell and prayed with bina Skricks and groans rent the air A spirit of religious ecstacy seized them and the doomed man stood up and swayed his bedy to and fro, indicative of intense excitement Four sheriffs of various counties preceded the murderer to the gallows. fore mounting it be made a short address, but his voice was breaky and the words scarcely audible. He said he had mule his peace with God and was ready to die. The sheriff bound his hands, adjusted the noose and black cap, and as the aged parents stood booking at their son and weeping and uttering piercing cries, Sheriff good shook Merten's hand, saying: "Good by, Lije. May God have mercy on your poor, soul," and then placing his hand on the lever said "Good-by," and the next

Welland Canal Damaged, St. Catherine's, ontario. May 21 - The Cleveland steamer Outhwait, west bound, tore three lock gates out of section 7 of the Welland Canal this morning, blocked the traffic and caused the flooding of a mile

and a quarter of adjacent flatland. The

instant the trap was sprong.

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